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BOX AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on August 29, 2001. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE OFFICE ACTION

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. 112, First Paragraph

1) Claims 9-13 and 25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as containing subject matter asserted to lack such a description in the specification in such a way as to convey that the invention was in the possession of Applicants at the time of the invention, as the Examiner has found no authentication of "petuli oil" in his search of the literature.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

2) Claims 1, 3, 9-13, 21-22, and 24-25 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph as being indefinite with respect to the following terms and claims:

- a) Claims 1 and 22 "ambient environment."
- b) Claims 1 and 21 "Household environment."
- c) Claim 1 "aromatherapeutic concentration."
- d) Claim 1 "completing the household function."
- e) Claims 1, 21 and 22, the phrases "allowing the aromatherapeutic essential oil to remain within the ambient environment," and "for effecting aromatherapy to an ambient environment."